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**MINUTES OF THE ROCKVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING NO. 11-2015
Wednesday, June 10, 2015**

The City of Rockville Planning Commission convened in regular session in the
Mayor and Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, June 10, 2015

PRESENT

Don Hadley, Chair

Anne Goodman

Gail Sherman

David Hill

John Tyner, II

Jack Leiderman

Present: Marcy Waxman, Senior City Attorney
Andy Gunning, Assistant Director CPDS
David Levy, Chief of Long Range Planning
Ann Wallas, Planner III

Before the meeting commenced Commissioner Hadley provided an update to the Commission on his discussion on the status of the Comprehensive Master Plan review and Annual Report to Mayor and Council.

I. DISCUSSION - CMP update discussion

A. Comments from the public, including Judge Patrick Woodward (invited)

Commissioner Hadley introduced the Honorable Patrick Woodward, who he invited to share his expertise on the neighborhood planning process.

Mr. Woodward addressed the Commission on the Neighborhood Planning process speaking as a City resident and not in his capacity as Judge. He provided an overview of the process and some history. He referred to and provided copies of a speech he presented to the Commission from October 1987, which detailed the process of the neighborhood planning effort and made comments on several topics. The process began in 1986 which resulted in the West End-Woodley Gardens (East-West) Neighborhood Plan adopted by the Mayor and Council in 1989.

He also answered questions from the Commission.

The meeting recessed at 8:10 pm and reconvened at 8:17 pm.

B. Commission discussion of vision and principles.

David Levy and Ann Wallas presented results of the kick-off meeting were discussed as well as online input. They discussed results from the “Poll Anywhere” (which was not a scientific survey) other relevant documents: the Twelve Planning Visions and Region Forward Goals required to implement and Region Forward Goals, the vision statement and whether it should be edited. There was a discussion about the characteristics of a small town community.

The meeting recessed at 10:18 p.m. and reconvened at 10:39 p.m.

II. COMMISSION ITEMS

A. Staff Liaison Report – Andy Gunning stating that the first kick-off meeting for the Southlawn Industrial Area was well attended and that there will be a second meeting on June 25th from 4:00 – 8:00 pm at the David Scull community. He said the Mayor and Council Walking Town Hall Meeting in Twinbrook went well. Mr. Gunning also provided an overview of the June 24th meeting agenda will include the Transportation Scan, Master Plan Bike Plan Update, Street Renaming for Choice Hotels.

B. Old Business

1. Commissioner Tyner reported that he had received several suggestions from citizens as to substitute names for Renaissance Street, and unfortunately most of the names provided had already been taken.
2. Commissioner Goodman made comments on the Position Paper and said an outline was generated for topics of discussion. Commissioner Hadley suggested revisiting the position paper at another meeting.

C. New Business – Commissioner Goodman spoke briefly on the building heights sub-committee for the Rockville Pike Plan, which prepared a draft position paper. Input and edits were approved by Commissioners Hill, Littlefield and Sherman. A decision was made to revisit the paper during one of the meetings in July.

Minutes – Commissioner Hill moved, seconded by Commissioner Tyner, to approve the minutes for meeting 09-2015 dated May 13th with noted edits. The motion passed 6-0. (Commissioner Littlefield was absent).

Commissioner Tyner moved, seconded by Commissioner Sherman to approve the minutes for meeting 10-2015 dated May 27th with noted edits. The motion passed 6-0. (Commissioner Littlefield was absent).

D. FYI Correspondence

III. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Planning Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandra Y. Driver, Commission Secretary